

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-17, and 19-23 were pending in the case at the time of the Office Action, claims 6 and 18 having been previously cancelled. In the above amendments, claims 1-5 and 7-15 are cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant respectfully acknowledges that claims 16, 17 and 19-23 are allowed by the Examiner. These are the only pending claims, and allowance is requested.

Claim amendments and new claims

No claims are amended, but rejected claims 1-5 and 7-15 are cancelled.

Claim rejections under 35 USC 102

Claims 1-2, 4, 7-12, and 14-15 are rejected as anticipated by US Patent 5,372,415 to Tisbo ("Tisbo '415"). This rejection is mooted by the cancellation of the rejected claims.

Claim rejections under 35 USC 103

Claims 3, 5, and 13 are rejected as obvious over Tisbo '415 in view of US Patent 5,564,806 to Keisling ("Keisling '806"). This rejection is mooted by the cancellation of the rejected claims.

Conclusion

The rejected claims have been cancelled from the application, and only allowable claims remain. Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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